GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:627
ANSWERED ON:06.05.2003
WOMEN COMMISSION
SURESH RAMRAO JADHAV (PATIL)

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some states have not yet constituted the State Commission for women;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government propose to amend the National Commission for Women Act, 1990 in order to make it mandatory for each State to Constitute the Women Commission;

(d) if so, time by which such an amending Bill is likely to be brought before Parliament; and

(e) if not, reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT, MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a),(b),(c),(d)&(e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a),(b),(c),(d) & (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 627 6.5.2003 REGARDING WOMEN COMMISSION BY SHRI SURESH RAMRAO JADHAV

(a)&(b) The setting up of State women commissions comes within the purview of the State Governments. As a result of continuous persuasion by the Government, all the States except the States of Arunachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland and Uttaranchal have constituted state level women commissions.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) It is expected that through a similar process of persuasion, the remaining few states can also be persuaded to set up state commissions. Hence, it is not considered necessary to amend the National Commission foe Women Act, 1990.